## **MOTA FACT SHEET**

### **2012 ACCOMPLISHMENTS**

uring 2012, MOTA Grantees conducted a variety of activities designed to improve the health of minority populations in combating chronic diseases which disproportionately affect minorities. This included cardiovascular, diabetes, stroke, cancer and tobacco usage. MOTA Grantees established or refined an existing Local Health Disparities Committee (LHDC). The LHDC serve as an umbrella in which health disparities issues are addressed by all interested parties.

- 718 minority individuals attended the Local Health Disparities Committee, local health department's cancer/tobacco or other coalition meeting
- **521,370** minority individuals were reached through MOTA

efforts.

- **125,124** pieces of health education materials were distributed by MOTA grantees
- 757 cultural fairs or events were conducted by or with material participation of MOTA and **102,631** minority individuals were reached through those
- **206** partnerships between the LHDC and community groups were developed
- **5,000**+ Minority Health Network comprised of community individuals and organizations that are being empowered to act as a collective in their best health interest is in place.

## 2013 **MOTA Focus**

tate STAT is a data performance management system the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene (DHMH) uses to track the progress and improvement of public issues throughout the state. This system collects data on a biweekly, monthly, and quarterly basis. The Office of Minority Health and Health Disparities (MHHD) has been submitting information received from MOTA Health Partners to State STAT to highlight the efforts that are being made across the state by community and faith based organizations to eliminate health disparities for minorities.

### **MOTA NETWORK**

unding was provided to over 425 faith and communitybased minority primary and sub-grantee groups of the targeted ethnicities — Black, Hispanic, Asian, Native Americans and Women during fiscal years 2001 — 2012. The focus of these groups was on educating, enlightening and empowering ethnic minorities to impact cancer and tobacco health care decisions in their local jurisdictions. After 10 productive years in addressing cancer and tobacco, the MOTA program was elevated to address chronic disease statewide. Maryland counties with over 15% minorities are eligible to apply for MOTA funding. The minority health network database located within the DHMH Minority Health and Health Disparities (MHHD) office includes 4600 contact information entries.

### MOTA BACKGROUND

n July 2010, the MOTA out the State to address the H1N1 Flu immunization campaign. MHHD received funds supported by DHMH through the Centers for Disease Control (CDC) Public Health Emergency Response (PHER) to put in place a H1N1 Community Services Outreach Program in each of the state's 24 jurisdictions.

MOTA Grantees work in part-Program expanded through- nership with the local health departments, local cancer tobacco coalition and other coalitions, brought together other minority groups, reached out to faithbased groups, and helped empower local minority communities to act decisively and effectively.

> Listed on page 2 are MOTA's 2013 Grantees.



# **Highlights**

n 2011, DHMH released the Maryland State Health Improvement Plan (SHIP). The SHIP provides a framework for continual progress towards a healthier Maryland. It has three main components: accountability, local action, and public engagement; and it includes 39 critical health measures. MHHD will work with Local Health Disparities Partners to address and implement the SHIP measures into health disparities programs.

Each Local Health Officer (LHO) is taking the lead to form Local Health Planning Committees that include key stakeholders who will work together to develop and implement their local plans. Hopefully, you are aware of this process and are participating with these committees.

In the event you are not, contact your LHO and indicate your interest in joining.



### FISCAL YEAR 2013 MOTA GRANTEES

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#### **Baltimore City**

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#### **Baltimore County**

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#### **Caroline County**

Union Bethel AME Church — Janet Fountain (410) 829-2844 janetfountain@aol.com

#### **Dorchester County**

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#### **Frederick County**

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#### **Harford County**

Inner County Outreach — Vickie Johnson (410) 272-3278 vickiedjohnson@gmail.com

#### **Howard County**

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#### **Kent County**

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#### **Montgomery County**

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#### **Prince George's County**

MD Center at Bowie State University — Terry Lawlah (301) 860-4309 tlawlah@bowiestate.edu

#### **Somerset County**

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#### St. Mary's County

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#### Wicomico County

St. James A.M.E. Zion Church — Pastor M. Luther Hill (410) 742-1427 stjzionhouse@gmail.com llchambers007@gmail.com

#### **Washington County**

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